

Activity Summary

Appropriation: Historic Preservation Fund
Activity: Grants-in-Aid to the National Trust

Activity	2002 Enacted	FY 2003			Change From 2002 (+/-)
		Uncontr/ Related Changes	Program Changes (+/-)	Budget Request	
Grants-in-Aid to the National Trust	2,500	0	-2,500	0	-2,500
Total Requirements	2,500	0	-2,500	0	-2,500

Authorization

16 USC 470 National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended
 16 USC 461 to 467 Historic Sites Act

Overview

The Grants-in-Aid to the National Trust provides an endowment to maintain and preserve National Trust historic properties.

Applicable National Park Service Mission Goals

Illa Natural and cultural resources are conserved through formal partnership programs.

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FY 2002 Enacted: \$2.500 million

FY 2002 Estimated Program and Anticipated Accomplishments

In FY 2002, Congress appropriated \$2.5 million for a grant to the National Trust for Historic Preservation, as authorized under 16 USC. 470a(e)(2), to assist in the care and maintenance of the historic sites of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Congress chartered the Trust in 1949 under 16 USC 461 as a non-profit organization to lead the private sector in promoting historic preservation. The National Trust owns and operates 21 historic sites nationwide. Until FY 1999, the Trust received annual Federal grant support from the Historic Preservation Fund through the Department of the Interior, National Park Service. The National Trust did not receive federal grant support in FY 2000 and FY 2001. Trust sites have set a course for self-sufficiency, but deferred maintenance needs at the sites remain unmet. The interest derived from the investment of the grant funds will be used to fund repairs at the Trust's historic sites.

The FY 2002 grant funds were made available under the following terms and conditions:

The full amount granted to the National Trust is to be deposited into a permanently restricted Historic Sites Fund, in the same manner as other National Trust endowment funds. Any income attributable to the grant will be added to the Historic Sites Fund endowment account, and made available for authorized grant purposes.

The National Trust will make distributions from the amounts deposited in the endowment fund account for the care and maintenance of National Trust historic sites, in amounts consistent with its regularly established spending rate.

In accordance with established National Trust policy, distributions from the National Trust Historic Sites Fund account will be matched as expended, dollar for dollar, with non-Federal funds raised for the care and maintenance of National Trust historic sites. Work carried out by the National Trust under the grant will be in conformance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Places. Eligible expenses will be restricted to: a) deferred maintenance that threatens the material integrity of the site, building, or object of

historic significance; b) compliance with building codes, plus improvements for security, fire, and life safety; and c) appropriate public access for disabled visitors.

The National Trust will maintain adequate records and accounts relating to all financial transactions, including distributions, from the National Trust Historic Sites Fund endowment account, and will make such records available for audit and inspection by the National Park Service and the Comptroller General for a period of five years following the date of the grant.

Justification of FY 2003 Budget Request: Grants-in-Aid to the National Trust

Request Component	Amount
FY 2002 Enacted Budget	2,500
Programmatic Changes	
• Grants-in-Aid to the National Trust	-2,500
TOTAL, Program Changes	-2,500
Uncontrollable Changes	No Change
FY 2003 Budget Request	0
Net Change	-2,500

Grants-in-Aid to the National Trust: -\$2.500 million

In FY 2003, NPS is requesting the elimination of one-time funding for the National Trust.
